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5; prevailing diseases, malarial fever and dysentery; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 14	San José.....	43	4	0	0
15	Sibiria.....	53	53	20	0
17	Origen.....	23	1	0	0
17	Venus.....	33	0	0	0
18	Nicoya.....	52	2	0	0
19	Beverly.....	42	2	0	0
20	Katie.....	24	0	0	0

One bill of health for Panaman port was viséed.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon McMahon reports, May 24, as follows:

During the week ended May 20, 1905, three vessels, with a total crew of 87, no passengers, were inspected and bills of health issued to ports in the United States. All of the vessels were in good sanitary condition and no sickness aboard.

No quarantinable diseases arrived at this port during this week and none were reported in the city.

Report from Habana—Inspection of vessels—Meeting of first national medical congress of Cuba.

Surgeon Wertenbaker reports, May 23, as follows:

Week ended May 20, 1905.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued.....	18
Crew of outgoing vessels inspected.....	868
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.....	677

No quarantinable diseases have been reported in the city or island during the week.

The first national medical congress of Cuba is now in session in this city.

Report from Matanzas—Inspection of vessels—Precautionary detention of steamships Belgian and Bjorgvin—Mortality.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, May 22, as follows:

During the week ended May 20, 1905, bills of health were issued to 8 vessels, the ultimate destination of which was some port in the United States, either direct or via other ports in Cuba.

The British steamship *Belgian*, which arrived in this port May 12, on her way from Liverpool to New Orleans, touching at Barbados, Trinidad, Curaçao, Barranquilla, and Cartagena, Colombia, and the Norwegian steamship *Bjorgvin*, originally from Veracruz, Mexico, via Habana and Sagua la Grande, bound for New York, were held in precautionary detention in quarantine while loading sugar during the past week. Both vessels left on May 16 for their respective ports of destination in good sanitary condition.